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Title: **OSTEOSYNTHESIS PLATE FOR THE OSTEOSYNTHESIS OF SMALL  
NEIGHBOURING BONES**

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Dear Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated June 04, 2007 in connection with the above-identified patent application. This Amendment is being filed concurrently with petition for a three-month extension of time and associated fee, which extends the time period for filing the response to December 04, 2007. Please amend the application as follows:

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